

## Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 BEIRUT 03876 091237Z

ACTION NEA-07

INFO OCT-01 SS-14 ISO-00 INR-05 NSC-05 NSCE-00 CIAE-00

DODE-00 PM-03 SP-02 L-01 PRS-01 IO-06 SSM-01

( ISO ) W

-----060826 100036Z /72/63

R 091139Z AUG 77

FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 4835

AMEMBASSY AMMAN

AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

S E C R E T BEIRUT 3876

LIMDIS/NOFORN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR

SUBJECT: HEIKAL ON PEACE AND WAR

REF: CAIRO 13016

1. IT IS COMFORTING TO KNOW THAT KEIKAL'S ESSENTIALLY NEGATIVE VIEW OF THE UNIVERSE REMAINS UNCHANGED. SOMETHING, AT LEAST, IS CONSTANT.

2. WE OF COURSE IN NO POSITION TO CONTRADICT HIS REMARKS AS THEY RELATE TO EGYPT. THERE IS ONE POINT, HOWEVER, WHERE WE FEEL HE MAY BE WRONG; I.E., HIS REMARK THAT MASS OPINION IN THE ARAB WORLD IS NOT PREPARED FOR PEACE. AS FAR AS LEBANON IS CONCERNED, THERE HAS BEEN A REMARKABLE SHIFT IN THE STATE OF THAT OPINION OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS. THE LEBANESE MAN IN THE STREET, MOSLEM OR CHRISTIAN, IS THOROUGHLY FED UP WITH THE PALESTINE PROBLEM AND IS READY FOR PEACE. WE CAN WELL IMAGINE HEIKAL SAYING THAT LEBANON IS NOT ARAB (HOW SWEET

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 BEIRUT 03876 091237Z

THAT WOULD BE TO PIERRE GEMAYEL\*), BUT WE ALSO WONDER JUST HOW READY TO FIGHT THE OTHERS ARE. FROM THE VIBRATIONS REGISTERED HERE WE HAVE THE IMPRESSION THE ARABS IN GENERAL, WITH THE OBVIOUS EXCEPTIONS OF THE REJECTIONISTS, WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO BE LED TO A PEACE AGREEMENT THEY COULD ACCEPT. THE OPERATIVE WORD IS LED. PARKER

SECRET

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PERSONAL OPINION, NEGOTIATIONS, PEACE PLANS, JOURNALISTS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Sent Date:** 09-Aug-1977 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Date:** 22 May 2009  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 22 May 2009  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1977BEIRUT03876  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D770286-1260  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** BEIRUT  
**Handling Restrictions:**  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1977/newtext/t19770883/aaaacsiy.tel  
**Line Count:** 62  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** 5303dd5f-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ACTION NEA  
**Original Classification:** SECRET  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** LIMDIS  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** SECRET  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** LIMDIS  
**Reference:** 77 CAIRO 13016  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 22-Mar-2005 12:00:00 am  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 1668620  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** HEIKAL ON PEACE AND WAR  
**TAGS:** PFOR, MPOL, XF  
**To:** CAIRO  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvwkey:** odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/5303dd5f-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
22 May 2009  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009